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Activity on Cyprus

The following is a translation of an article which appeared "Neftoria", a Greek language paper in Nicosia, on 20 February 48, two days after arrival of the Cyprus Party:

"INSTALLATION IN CYPRUS OF A BROADCASTING STATION.

"We are informed that five Americans specialists in radiobroadcasting have arrived from Beirut by special plane. They were supplied with special passports and on their arrival they proceeded at once to [redacted]

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"Their arrival in Cyprus is connected with the installation probably somewhere in [redacted] of a small monitoring service which will be managed by special service of the BBC and corresponding American service.

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"It is said that such a station has been operating in Cyprus during the war, and has been used mainly for the receiving of secret radiotelegrams which were transmitted from Russia to the guerrillas in Greece.

"By this re-installation of such a station in Cyprus the Anglo-American services will be informed of the views of the various countries on the events in the Middle East."

The same article was briefly mentioned in the English language "Cypriot" published in Nicosia, on February 21, 1948.

In addition to the above the following appeared in the "Cyprus Mail":

(24 Feb.) "We understand that the American radio experts who arrived in Cyprus from Beirut last week are now looking for a suitable place near Kyrenia where they will establish a monitoring service."

(25 Feb.) "The United States of America Foreign Broadcast Information Service will establish a radio coverage station in Kyrenia, the purpose of which it is understood will be to listen to all broadcasting stations and do scientific research on the reception qualities from them."

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